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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: SUPPLEMENT FUNDING FOR
AS-NEEDED ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION SERVICES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to increase the County's annual contracts combined aggregate not-to-exceed amount from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 with Leighton Consulting, Inc.; URS Corporation Americas; Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc.; MACTEC Engineering Consulting, Inc.; and Kleinfelder, Inc., for As-Needed Environmental Assessment and Remediation Services in order to meet anticipated demands.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that this activity is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to execute amendments to the agreements to increase the As-Needed Environmental Assessment and Remediation Services Consultants Agreements from a combined aggregate annual not-to-exceed amount of \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 for the contract year by executing supplemental amendments with the following consultants:
 - a. Consultant Service Agreement with Leighton Consulting, Inc. (Contract No. PW 12944).

- b. Consultant Service Agreement with URS Corporation Americas (Contract No. PW 12946).
- c. Consultant Service Agreement with Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc. (Contract No. PW 12947).
- d. Consultant Service Agreement with MACTEC Engineering Consulting, Inc. (Contract No. PW 12948).
- e. Consultant Service Agreement with Kleinfelder, Inc. (Contract No. PW 12949).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Department of Public Works (Public Works) is requesting approval to increase the County's annual contracts combined aggregate not-to-exceed amount from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 in order to provide environmental assessment and remediation services to address an increase in the number of projects that require remediation efforts and property acquisitions. It is anticipated that remediation services will be required this year for several projects, including the upcoming Kenneth Hahn Driving Range, Gage Avenue Park, and Compton Airport projects. In addition, approximately 70 property transfers will require environmental assessment services this next year. The estimated cost of environmental assessment and remediation services associated with these projects is \$2,000,000. The additional contract amount will augment Public Works' capacity to provide these services in a timely manner during peaks in workload.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of responsive, efficient, and high-quality public services. This action meets the Strategic Plan Goals of Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Organizational Effectiveness (Goal 3) because the use of as-needed consultants enables Public Works to better manage fluctuations and increases in workload and thereby provide more responsive service to our clients.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Each of the five contracts is part of a single program. The entire program is currently for a combined aggregate annual not-to-exceed amount of \$1,000,000. The increase in the program raises the annual maximum limit from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000. There is no impact on net County cost.

Work will be requested on an as-needed basis and may originate from various Public Works funds and other Departments' funds. Work will not be authorized without first ascertaining that funds have been made available.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On June 20, 2006, Agenda Item 71, your Board authorized Public Works to execute consultant agreements for the As-Needed Environmental Assessment and Remediation Services for a combined aggregate annual contract amount of \$1,000,000:

- Contract No. PW 12944 with Leighton Consulting, Inc.
- Contract No. PW 12945 with Lindmark Engineering
- Contract No. PW 12946 with URS Corporation Americas
- Contract No. PW 12947 with Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc.
- Contract No. PW 12948 with MACTEC Engineering Consulting, Inc.
- Contract No. PW 12949 with Kleinfelder, Inc.

These contracts are for a 1-year term commencing on the date of the initial Notice to Proceed (October 1, 2006), with three 1-year renewal options, not to exceed a total contract period of 4 years. These contracts currently have two 1-year renewal options left to be exercised by the Acting Director of Public Works.

Public Works has been notified that Lindmark Engineering is no longer in business (Contract No. PW 12945).

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This activity is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15304, 15306, and 15330 of the CEQA guidelines and Classes 4 and 6 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1997.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

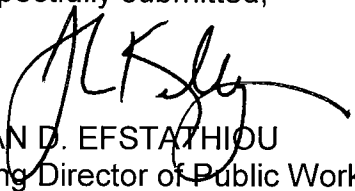
Approval of the recommended action will allow Public Works to continue to manage and deliver environmental assessment and remediation services. The as-needed contracts with Leighton Consulting, Inc.; URS Corporation Americas; Camp Dresser & McKee, Inc.; MACTEC Engineering Consulting, Inc.; and Kleinfelder, Inc., will allow Public Works to provide these services for upcoming projects and better manage fluctuations in workload and thereby provide more responsive services to our clients.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Geotechnical and Materials Engineering Division.

Respectfully submitted,



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